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S. 1012. A bill to ensure that children at highest risk for asthma, vision, hearing, and other health problems are identified and treated; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DASCHLE (for himself and Mr. LOTT) (by request):

S.J. Res. 16. A joint resolution approving the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment to the products of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam; to the Committee on Finance.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 77

At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) and the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 77, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

S. 283

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 283, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage.

S. 500

At the request of Mr. BURNS, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 500, a bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 in order to require the Federal Communications Commission to fulfill the sufficient universal service support requirements for high cost areas, and for other purposes.

S. 540

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 540, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow as a deduction in determining adjusted gross income the deduction for expenses in connection with services as a member of a reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United States, to allow employers a credit against income tax with respect to employees who participate in the military reserve components, and to allow a comparable credit for participating reserve component self-employed individuals, and for other purposes.

S. 543

At the request of Mr. WELLSTONE, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 543, a bill to provide for equal coverage of mental health benefits with respect to health insurance coverage unless comparable limitations are imposed on medical and surgical benefits.

S. 561

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) and the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) were added as cosponsors of S. 561, a bill to provide that the same health insurance premium conversion arrangements afforded to Federal employees be made available to Federal annuitants and members and retired members of the uniformed services.

S. 666

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 666, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the use of completed contract method of accounting in the case of certain long-term naval vessel construction contracts.

S. 672

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 672, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the continued classification of certain aliens as children for purposes of that Act in cases where the aliens "age-out" while awaiting immigration processing, and for other purposes.

S. 710

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 710, a bill to require coverage for colorectal cancer screenings.

S. 724

At the request of Mr. BOND, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 724, a bill to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of pregnancy-related assistance for targeted low-income pregnant women.

S. 781

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the names of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) were added as cosponsors of S. 781, a bill to amend section 3702 of title 38, United States Code, to extend the authority for housing loans for members of the Selected Reserve.

S. 839

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED), and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 839, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to increase the amount of

payment for inpatient hospital services under the medicare program and to freeze the reduction in payments to hospitals for indirect costs of medical education.

S. 871

At the request of Mr. CLELAND, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 871, a bill to amend chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, to provide for the computation of annuities for air traffic controllers in a similar manner as the computation of annuities for law enforcement officers and firefighters.

S. 994

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 994, a bill to amend the Iran and Libya Sanctions Act of 1996 to extend authorities under that Act.

S. 1006

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1006, a bill to provide for the energy security of the United States and promote environmental quality by enhancing the use of motor vehicle fuels from renewable sources, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 71

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 71, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the need to preserve six day mail delivery.

S. RES. 99

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. STEVENS), the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH), the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT), the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD), the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 99, a resolution supporting the goals and ideals of the Olympics.

S. CON. RES. 3

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 3, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued in honor of the U.S.S. *Wisconsin* and all those who served aboard her.

S. CON. RES. 11

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 11, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress to fully use the powers of the Federal Government to enhance the science base required to more fully develop the field of health promotion and disease prevention, and to explore

how strategies can be developed to integrate lifestyle improvement programs into national policy, our health care system, schools, workplaces, families and communities.

S. CON. RES. 43

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 43, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the Republic of Korea's ongoing practice of limiting United States motor vehicles access to its domestic market.

AMENDMENT NO. 424

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 424.

AMENDMENT NO. 475

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 475.

AMENDMENT NO. 476

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 476.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. VOINOVICH):

S. 1009. A bill to require the provision of information to parents and adults concerning bacterial meningitis and the availability of a vaccination with respect to such diseases; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Mrs. HUTCHISON. Mr. President, I am pleased to be joined by Senator VOINOVICH to offer legislation on a health issue that is very important to parents across the Nation.

Bacterial meningitis affects 3,000 people across the United States each year. Approximately 10 to 13 percent of patients with bacterial meningitis die despite receiving antibiotics early in the disease. Of those individuals who survive, an additional 10 percent have severe aftereffects of the disease, including mental retardation, hearing loss, and loss of limbs.

My bill would require the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in consultation with the Director of the Centers for Disease Control, to develop and make available information about bacterial meningitis. In addition, it would make available information about the availability and the effectiveness of bacterial meningitis vaccinations for children and adults.

To help prevent these needless deaths, the bill requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services to provide this information to a list of institutions, including child care centers, schools, universities, boarding schools, summer camps, detention facilities, and, as determined appropriate by the Secretary any other entity that pro-

vides housing in a dorm-like setting. This information in turn would be provided to both children and adults.

This will allow parents and others to be more informed about this dangerous disease and encourage them to obtain appropriate vaccines.

I commend the Senator from Ohio for his support on this issue and urge other Senators to join us in this effort.

By Mr. HELMS (for himself and Mr. THURMOND):

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Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 1010

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF TIME FOR FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION PROJECT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the time period specified in section 13 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 806) that would otherwise apply to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission project number 11437, the Commission may, at the request of the licensee for the project, and after reasonable notice, in accordance with the requirements of that section and the Commission's procedures under that section, extend the time period during which the licensee is required to commence the construction of the project for 3 consecutive 2-year periods.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsection (a) takes effect on the date of the expiration of the extension issued by the Commission before the date of the enactment of this Act under section 13 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 806).

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 1011. A bill to provide the financial mechanisms, resource protections, and professional skills necessary for high quality stewardship of the National Park System and to recognize the importance of high quality outdoor recreational opportunities on federally managed land; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Mr. GRAHAM. Mr. President, John Muir, the founder of the Sierra Club once said, "Thousands of tired, nerve-shaken, over-civilized people are beginning to find out that going to the mountains is going home; that wilderness is a necessity; and that mountain parks and reservations are useful not only as fountains of timber and irrigating rivers, but as fountains of life."

As our society becomes increasingly removed from the natural world, this prescient statement rings ever more true.

Americans are becoming increasingly aware of the opportunities that our national parks provide for us to reconnect with the magnificent natural heritage of our country. The number of

visits to national parks is soaring, as is use of their diverse resources. While this is good news in many ways, it has created a peculiar problem.

We are loving our parks to death.

Today, I am joined by my colleague Senator AKAKA to introduce the National Parks Stewardship Act of 2001. This legislation endeavors to address some of the most serious problems facing the national parks system today.

First, the National Parks Stewardship Act ensures that activities in parks and on Federal lands adjacent to parks are compatible with the conservation and preservation of natural, cultural, and historical resources. This legislation also requires the proper preservation of historic documents, records, and artifacts, including resources in marine environments which may require specialized skills for their maintenance.

The National Parks Stewardship Act also helps the Park Service plan for the future by studying visitation and demographic patterns and preparing for an increasingly diverse and growing population.

Second, this legislation provides innovative financing tools to help fund operations and maintenance and to address the current maintenance backlog. Specifically, the National Parks Stewardship Act proposes a non-appropriated funds instrumentalities program and challenge cost share projects.

In addition, the Recreation Fee Demonstration Program would be permanently established with the requirement that certain percentages of the revenues generated remain available to the park at which they were collected. A system of signs would also be established to let park visitors know how recreation fees are spent and which projects have been completed as a result of this program.

Finally, the National Parks Stewardship Act establishes a pilot program called Professionals for Parks. This program would enable the Park Service to recruit prospective employees who have completed graduate-level administration and business management programs. Furthermore, this legislation creates a student loan payment program to entice quality employees to bring their expertise to the Park Service.

I believe that the Park Service and our national parks are beginning a new era. Visits to and enjoyment of our parks will continue to increase, and we must enable the Park Service to keep pace with this trend. We must encourage sound management of our parks and the vast natural and cultural resources they safeguard. We must also encourage opportunities for new ways to fund increasing operations and maintenance costs. Finally, we must encourage our national parks to represent a growing and increasingly diverse population. The National Stewardship Act starts us along that path.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):